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The Honorable Paul A. Engelmayer  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
40 Foley Square  
New York, New York 10007

Re: *D.J.C.V., et al. v. United States of America*, No. 20-cv-5747 (PAE)

Dear Judge Engelmayer:

This Office represents the government in the above-captioned action. On June 11, 2021, the Court granted the parties' request to stay this action pending settlement discussions and directed the parties to file a status report by August 11, 2021. *See* Dkt. No. 96. The parties write to respectfully request that the stay be continued and that the parties be permitted to provide a further status update to the Court within 60 days. The continued stay is requested because the United States, along with a group of counsel who are coordinating negotiations on behalf of plaintiffs and claimants, are engaged in a nationwide effort to settle district court cases and pending administrative tort claims arising from family separations at the U.S./Mexico border that occurred during the prior administration. While significant progress has been made, due to the scale and complexity of the effort, additional time is needed to achieve a global resolution of these matters. Accordingly, the parties respectfully request that the stay continue and that they provide the Court with a further status update by October 12, 2021.

Sincerely,

Granted. SO ORDERED.

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